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In re application of: Francis Hsieh et al.

Title: ELECTRONIC COMMERCE DISTRIBUTED NETWORK AND  
METHOD

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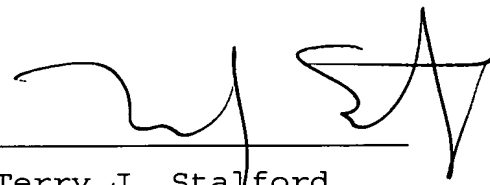
Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form, and previously cited in U.S. Application Serial No. 08/884,882 filed June 30, 1997 by Applicants and entitled "ELECTRONIC COMMERCE DISTRIBUTED NETWORK AND METHOD," and U.S. Application Serial No. 08/885,395 filed June 30, 1997 by Applicants and entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR NETWORK INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT," be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified continuation patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these references are not being furnished. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that these references qualify as prior art or that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

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